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Applicant: Xiaobin Zhao

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HYALURONIC ACID DERIVATIVES

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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated August 10, 2004, be extended for one month to and including December 10, 2004.

Enclosed is a check for \$120 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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